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Ms. Jan Palumbo (AWT-121)
United States EPA, Region 10
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900
Seattle, WA 98101

**Subject: April 2012 Progress Report
J.H. BAXTER ARLINGTON FACILITY
Docket No. RCRA-10-2001-0086**

Dear Ms. Palumbo:

This letter provides the April 2012 progress report for work under the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) for the J.H. Baxter & Co. (Baxter) facility during the period from March 15 to April 15, 2012.

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS THIS PERIOD

This section discusses significant developments for the reporting period, including actions performed and any problems encountered relative to work required by the AOC. Significant developments that occurred on this project during this reporting period are outlined below:

- The Remedial Action Pilot System continued to be operated during the reporting period.
- Several system shutdowns have occurred during the reporting period due to high water levels during the rainy season. Baxter will complete maintenance activities (cleaning) during the upcoming reporting period to minimize system shutdowns.

ANTICIPATED DEVELOPMENTS NEXT PERIOD

This section discusses developments anticipated during the next reporting period, as outlined below:

- Routine quarterly groundwater monitoring activities (2nd quarter 2012 sampling event) will be initiated on Sunday, April 29, 2012, and should be completed by May 3, 2012.
- Baxter intends to perform maintenance activities on the Remedial Action Pilot System extraction wells and infiltration trench concurrent with groundwater monitoring activities.
- The Remedial Action Pilot System will continue to be operated during the next reporting period.

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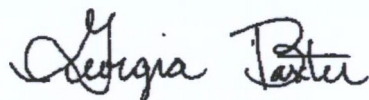
Any other information relevant to the AOC is discussed in this section, including results of any sampling or testing completed within the reporting period.

- Baxter has no other information to report.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to evaluate the information submitted. I certify that the information contained in or accompanying this submittal is true, accurate, and complete. As to those identified portions(s) of this submittal for which I cannot personally verify the accuracy, I certify that this submittal and all attachments were prepared in accordance with procedures designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those directly responsible for gathering the information, or the immediate supervisor of such person(s), the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

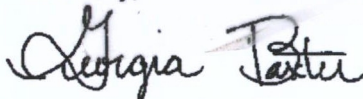
Signature:



Name: Georgia Baxter
Title: Chief Executive Officer
Date: April 16, 2012

We trust this letter meets the intent of the Progress Report per Paragraph 71 of the AOC. If you have any questions, please contact me at (650) 349-0201.

Sincerely,



Georgia Baxter
Chief Executive Officer

cc: Jeanne Tran, Ecology
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